

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, March 10, 1907, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Twin Oaks, Washington, D. C. Sunday, March 10, 1907. My dear Alec:

I think you might have answered my telegram and let me know how you are. I am getting nervous.

I find Mamma is all right, her foot only needs rest. So I could leave her. I am hesitating now principally on the baby's account. We have got him here but he still wheezes and coughs a little and I wish there were less evident before I leave him. But of course if you are not as well as you were I will go to you immediately.

I have been trying to reach you by telephone, but it is impossible in this heavy snow. It is about four inches deep here and is keeping all Sunday company, but Alexander IV's and mine from Mamma, which is a good thing.

I am wondering whether you couldn't organize a Tetrahedral Association like the Volta Association. We put in the cash you remember and Chester and Mr. Taintor the labor and Charlie was treasurer. I think you should be allowed to go on and get your ideas carried out and not be bothered with the money details.

I hope you are going around and watching the people and things. You have lived too much by yourself. You've talked about nature and solitude and all that, but you haven't been in the crowd at all and that's what you need.

Darling I love you and want you to have the top of life, and 2 I think it's equal division of solitude and the best of social life to rub shoulders vigorously and enjoy solitude

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vigorously, and I've made mistakes that way, lived too much in our own family and not sought the acquaintance of people outside worth knowing.

Your loving wife, Mabel.